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ALTOGETHER DIFFERENT. | CLOSING SALE

The Editor Concluded to Accept the Poem at Its Face Value.

"I have some poetry here, sir," said the young man in a newspaper office, "which I should like to bring to your attention."

"Poetry?"

"Yes, sir."

"We don't use it."

"But this?"

"I know all about that. It's a work of peculiar merit—one that is right in sympathy with the tops of the day, novel in idea and all that sort of thing, but we don't want it."

"And the editor shook his pen fiercely at the young man and glared, says the Washington Star.

"Then I'll try some other paper, I

"What's that?"
 "You see, this is a poem on our new brand of cologne, and as we pay extra rates for this kind of advertising I thought I'd see you about having it go in just as it's written."
 And it is related that that young man came out of the office with two perfect elegans, a concert ticket and more apologies than he would usually need in a lifetime.

A LIGHTNING ARTIST.
 He Paints a Twenty-Guinea Picture in Ten Minutes' Time.
 "Lightning sketches" have long been popular performances at public entertainments.

As to more artistic value, it is recorded that Sir Edwin Landseer once painted a picture within an hour.

On Saturday night Mr. T. B. Hardy, the marine painter, performed a much more remarkable feat before a large company of literary artists, literary men and members of the dramatic profession.

He had before him on an easel a piece of paper measuring about three feet by four. It was already stretched and framed on this he drew with charcoal "The Pool" below Jamaica Bridge showing the Tower in the background and barges, ships and steamers coming up the river on the flood tide.

Aerial and wave effects were obtained by rapid rubbing with the hand or cloth.

The whole picture was completed in ten minutes, and yet so good was it that many of the company were eager to buy, and would have done so had it not been

and eventually it was sold for 25 guineas. The money was given to a Masonic charity.